Indiana Department of Correction, Division of Youth Services 2015 Juvenile Detention Inspection - Compliance Report



Hamilton County Juvenile Services Center 18106 Cumberland Road Noblesville, Indiana 46060

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Subsequent Visit Date: None

Technical Assistance Date: October 27, 2015

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INTRODUCTION

Due to new Indiana Juvenile Detention Standards being promulgated with the intent to implement in 2016, the Facility Inspection will consist of a review of <u>only the 26 mandatory compliance standards</u>. Compliance with 100% of the mandatory standards is required to attain "Full Compliance" in accordance with the aforementioned code. The Indiana Department of Correction, Division of Youth Services provided five (5) Training Sessions and technical assistance to assist facilities coming into compliance with the new standards.

Therefore, the 18th annual evaluation of the Hamilton County Juvenile Services Center had three components: inspection for compliance with the 26 mandatory standards located in 210 IAC 6; participation in trainings on the new detention center standards to take effect in 2016; and participation in technical assistance offerings for compliance with the new detention center standards.

FACILITY INFORMATION

Facility county	Hamilton
Governing authority	Hamilton County Sheriff Department

Name of facility administrator	Jeffrey Marcum	
Detention facility's mission	It is the mission of the Hamilton County Juvenile Services	
·	Center to provide our youth with a safe, secure, and healthy	
	environment by holding them accountability for their	
	behavior through positive reinforcement; and provide the	
	youth with an opportunity for behavioral change through	
	various programs.	
Rated capacity	60	
Population on date of audit	17	
Average daily population for the last 12	17	
months		
Average length of stay for the last 12	17 days	
months		
Year the building was built	2004-2007	
Minor upgrades since last audit (i.e.	None	
painting, flooring, bedding, furnishings)		
Major upgrades since last audit (i.e.	None	
plumbing, electrical, security system)		
De-escalation techniques training	Tools for De-escalation	
Physical force techniques training	Close Quarter Combat Protective Training Services, LLC	
Chemical agents permitted	Yes	
Name of food service provider	Hamilton County Jail	
Name of food service supervisor	Cindy Girtman	
Name of health care authority individual	Advanced Correctional Health	
or agency and license/certification		
Name of mental health care authority	Advanced Correctional Health	
individual or agency and		
license/certification		

INSPECTION FOR COMPLIANCE WITH 26 MANDATORY STANDARDS

Auditors	Chance Sweat and Michelle Mosier	
File Review of the 26 mandatory standards	 Zero (0) standards were identified as non-applicable, and zero (0) mandatory standards were found to be non-compliant. Hamilton County Juvenile Services Center was in compliance with 100% of the mandatory standards. 	
Facility Tour	The Center was clean, orderly, and well-maintained.	
Youth Interviews	 Three youth, one female and two males, were interviewed about their experiences at the Center. All youth reported feeling safe at the facility. All youth reported the sleeping areas are uncomfortably cold and that the two blankets received during winter months was not sufficient to keep them warm. Youth reported detention center staff wants to help them and encourage them to do well. Youth comments were shared with facility administrators. 	

Recommendations	•	Highlight relevant information in documentation to show compliance
		with standard requirements.
	•	Implement a policy, procedure, and practice to for thorough cleaning and/or disinfecting juvenile personal clothing upon intake.

SUBSEQUENT ANNOUNCED AND/OR UNANNOUNCED VISIT(S)

On 8/31/2015, a subsequent visit was conducted of the Hamilton County Juvenile Services Center by Chance Sweat. Sgt. Egan had plenty of questions concerning new detention standards and advised she has started working on them. The facility tour was conducted by Sgt. Egan. Youth were observed participating in leisure time in the dayroom area. The facility's population was 24. All youth appeared to be in good health. All areas of the facility appeared to be well-maintained, and sanitation was found to be above average.

PARTICIPATION IN NEW DETENTION CENTER STANDARDS TRAINING

Introduction to the new standards	Jeff Marcum, Juvenile Division Commander
Preparing for an Inspection	Sgt. Brandy Egan, Accreditations and Training
Administration and Management Standards	Staff
January 13 th and 14 th , 2015	
Safety Standards	Sgt. Brandy Egan, Accreditations and Training
Security Standards	Staff
March 10, 2015	Andrew Rush, Team Leader of Jail Division
	Lieutenant
Programs and Services Standards	Sgt. Brandy Egan, Accreditations and Training
Education Standards	Staff
June 2, 2015	Donald Cook, Teacher
Medical Standards	Sgt. Brandy Egan, Accreditations and Training
Mental Health Care Standards	Staff
July 21, 2015	Tiana Girth, Nurse
Food Service and Hygiene Standards	Sgt. Brandy Egan, Accreditations and Training
Justice and Order Standards	Staff
September 29, 2015	

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

The Hamilton County Juvenile Services Center's technical assistance visit occurred on October 27, 2015 and was conducted by Chance Sweat and Laurie Elliott. The facility was asked to prepare 10 standard files for review. The technical assistance provided included reviewing the 10 files presented, discussing the need for policy to include language reflected in the standards, and addressing the facility's plan to meet the education, medical, and mental health standards. Future technical assistance will be offered in 2016, or as requested by the facility.

CONCLUSION

Hamilton County Juvenile Services Center is in full compliance with the 2015 Indiana Detention Center Standards Audit performed by the Indiana Department of Correction, Division of Youth Services.

A certificate of compliance will accompany this report, which becomes public information ten (10) days from the date of mailing.

Please contact me at (317) 607-6507 should you have any questions concerning this report.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Christine Blessinger, DYS Chief of Operations Director Kellie Whitcomb, Director of Reentry & External Relations Honorable Steven R. Nation, Hamilton Superior Court #1 Captain Jeffrey Marcum, Facility Director, Hamilton County Juvenile Services Center Honorable Paul Felix, Hamilton Circuit Court, pursuant to 210 IAC 8-1-5 File